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**UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the FORM PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

- A. Wayne et al., "Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Reconciliation of Approaches to Bacterial Systematics", *International Journal of Systematic Bacteriology*, Vol. 37, No. 4, Oct. 1987, pp. 463-464.
- B. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2001-128679 published in Japan on May 15, 2001;
- C. Barry et al., "The 16s/23s ribosomal spacer region as a target for DNA probes to identify eubacteria", *PCR Methods Appl.*, 1, 1991, pp 51-56; and
- D. Japanese Patent Application National Publication No. H10-501976 published in Japan on February 24, 1998.

The English translation of the above-listed relevant art B and D is not available at this time to the undersigned, and such a translation is not attached hereto. Though prior art B is not in the English language, this publication is accompanied by English language abstract. In

addition, a concise explanation of relevance of prior art B and D is incorporated in the specification pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3).

Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP Section 609, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) for the non-English language prior art is satisfied.

In view of the above, it is therefore respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant arts and consider them.

Respectfully submitted,  
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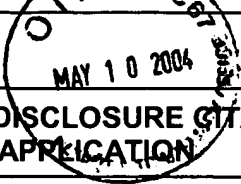
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